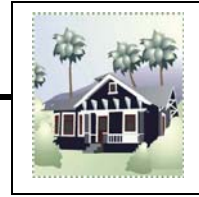


## Shaping Riverside and the Future of Housing (Tell Us What Matters Most to You!)



### Deaf Awareness Week Open House Riverside City Hall –Sept. 24, 2008

On September 24, 2008, the City hosted a “Deaf Awareness Week” Open House at the Riverside City Hall. At this open house, the City Planning Division included an exhibit “Shaping Riverside and the Future of Housing (Tell us What Matters Most to You!).” The exhibit included four display boards, each asking residents to write down on a “post-it” note their thoughts on a particular housing question related to the following:

- Housing Diversity
- Special Housing Needs
- Livable Neighborhoods
- Housing Assistance

The comments provided at the open house are important because they tell us here at the City what matters most to you, the residents of the City. The comments will help shape future Goals and Policies for Housing as the City begins the process of updating the Housing Chapter (Element) of the General Plan.

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### Housing Diversity Comments

**Question:** *How can the City provide adequate diversity in housing types and affordability to accommodate housing needs of residents, encourage economic development, and sustainability, and promote an inclusive community?*

**Housing Diversity**

See the question below. Using the house shaped post-its post your comments anywhere on this display.

- How can the City provide adequate diversity in housing types and affordability to accommodate housing needs of residents, encourage economic development and sustainability, and promote an inclusive community?

The display board features three photographs of different housing types: a large two-story house with a porch, a row of townhouses, and a multi-story apartment building.

**Responses:** no comments displayed

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## Special Housing Needs Comments

**Question:** How should the City provide adequate housing and supportive services for residents with special needs?



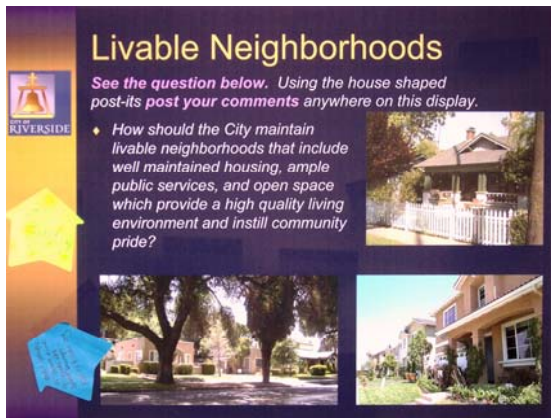
### Responses:

- 1) Need small house for very low income like me - 65yrs old only get \$600 monthly Social Security. Deaf, plus wheel chair use. Tired of living room/board where all of my stuff is in storage. Need wheel chair accessibility everywhere!
- 2) So far, doing a good job
- 3) Provide sign language interpreters-deaf seniors should not be isolated
- 4) Affordable housing. Pay low-income each unit so people can buy house
- 5) Deaf people need to be informed about everything and access.

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## Livable Neighborhoods Comments

**Question:** How should the City maintain livable neighborhoods that include well maintained housing, ample public services, and open space which provides a high quality living environment and instill community pride?



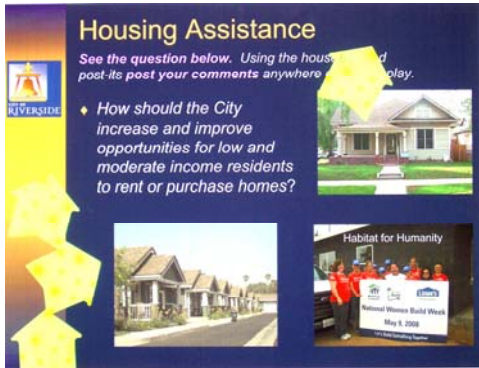
### Responses:

- 1) Deaf people need to be informed about everything and access.
- 2) Add strobe or some kind of lights on speed bumps.

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## **Housing Assistance Comments**

**Question:** *How should the City increase and improve opportunities for low and moderate income residents to rent or purchase homes?*



### **Responses:**

- 1) As community ages, more senior apartments or homes - affordable ones.
- 2) I think it can fit handicapped needs and comfortable rooms
- 3) Deaf people need to be informed about everything and access.

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